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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.33(a), Applicant respectfully submits this Amendment in response to the Final Office Action dated September 11, 2006. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.